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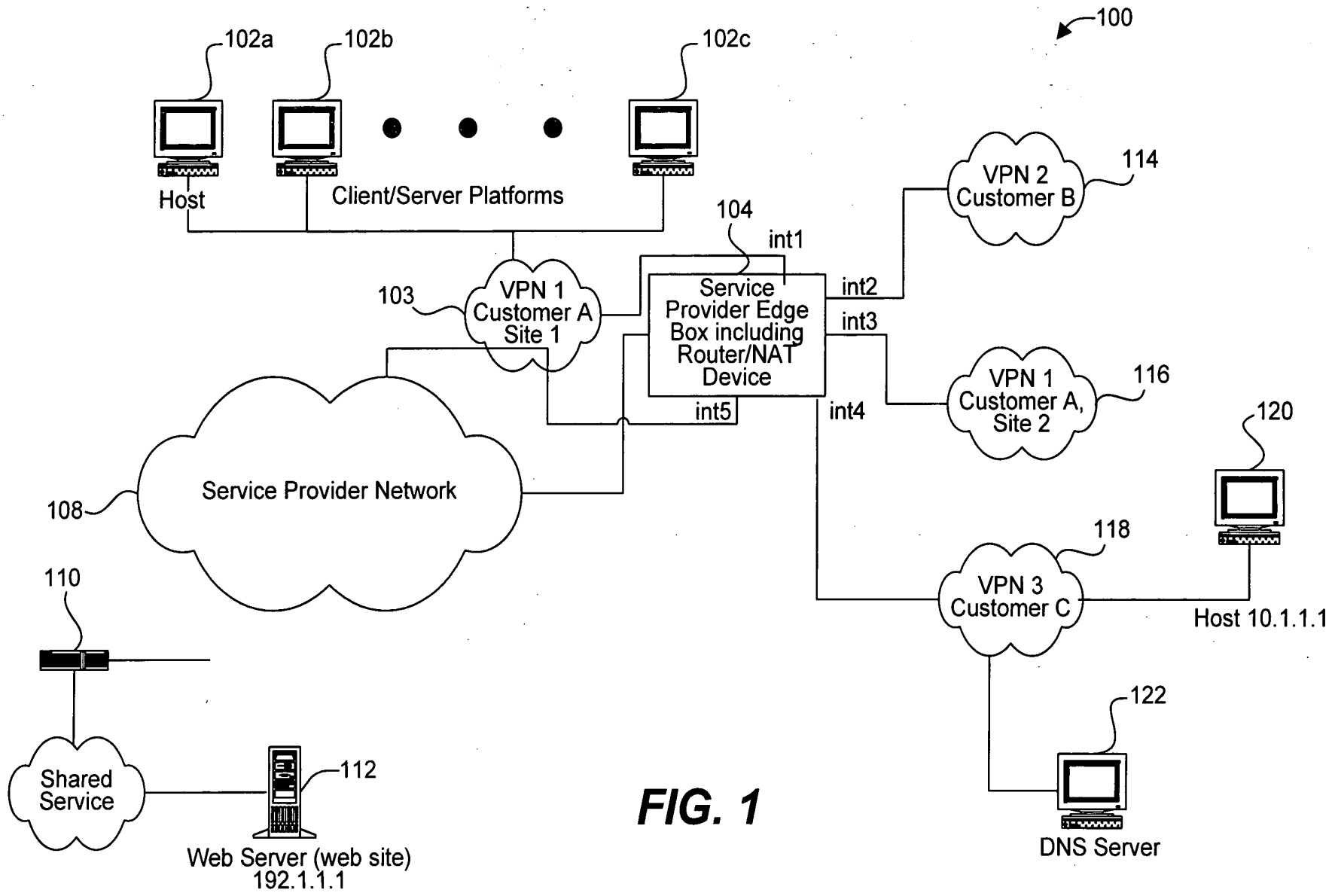

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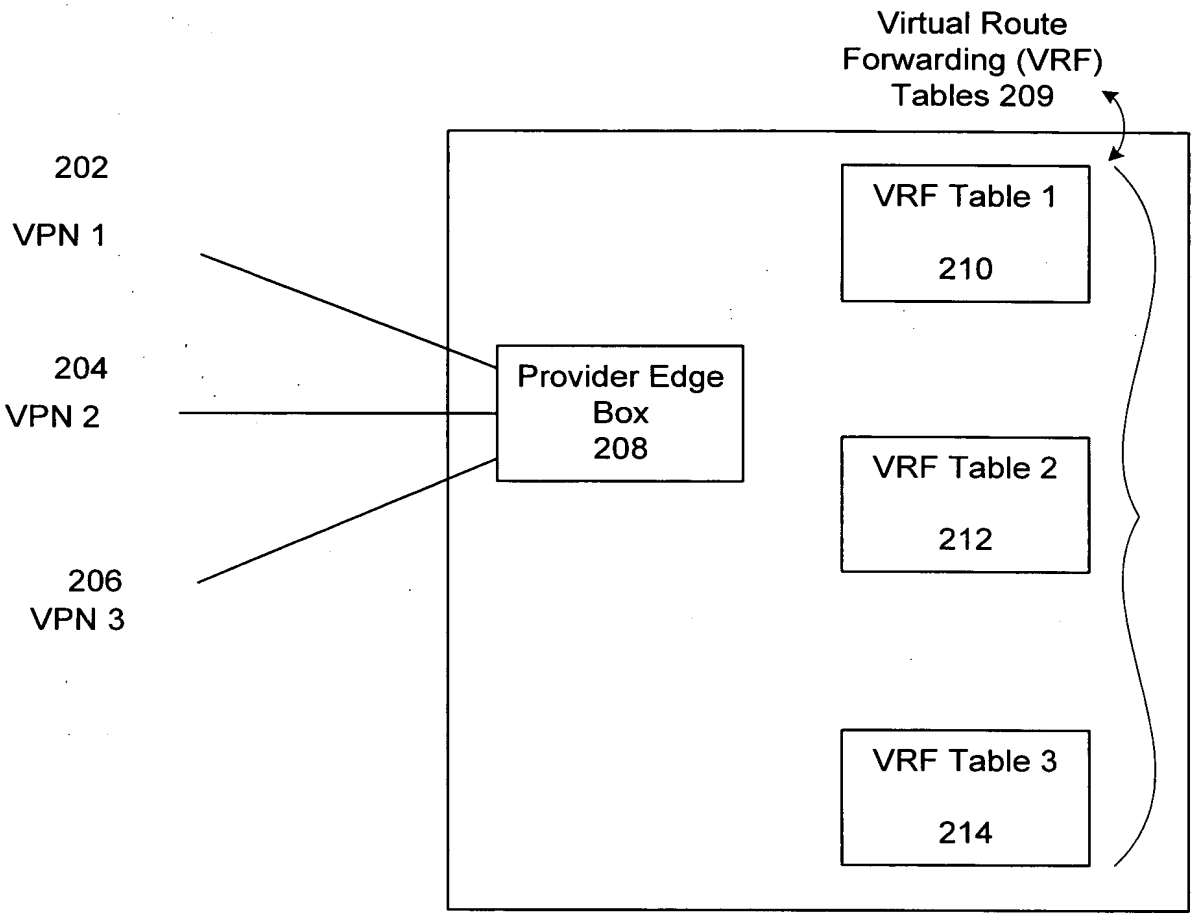
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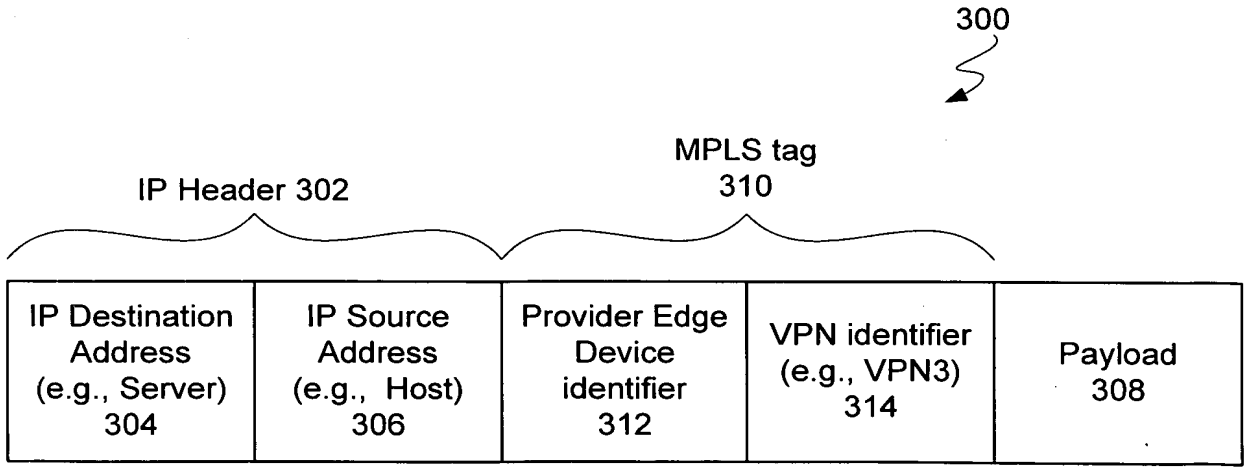
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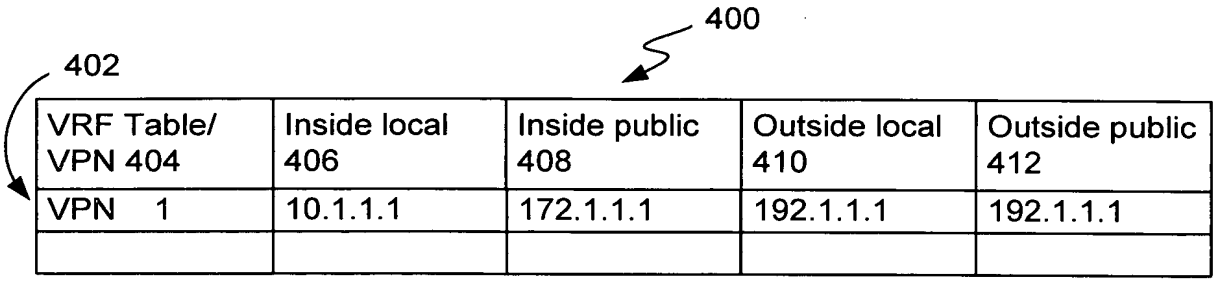

VRF Table/ VPN 404	Inside local 406	Inside public 408	Outside local 410	Outside public 412
VPN 1	10.1.1.1	172.1.1.1	192.1.1.1	192.1.1.1

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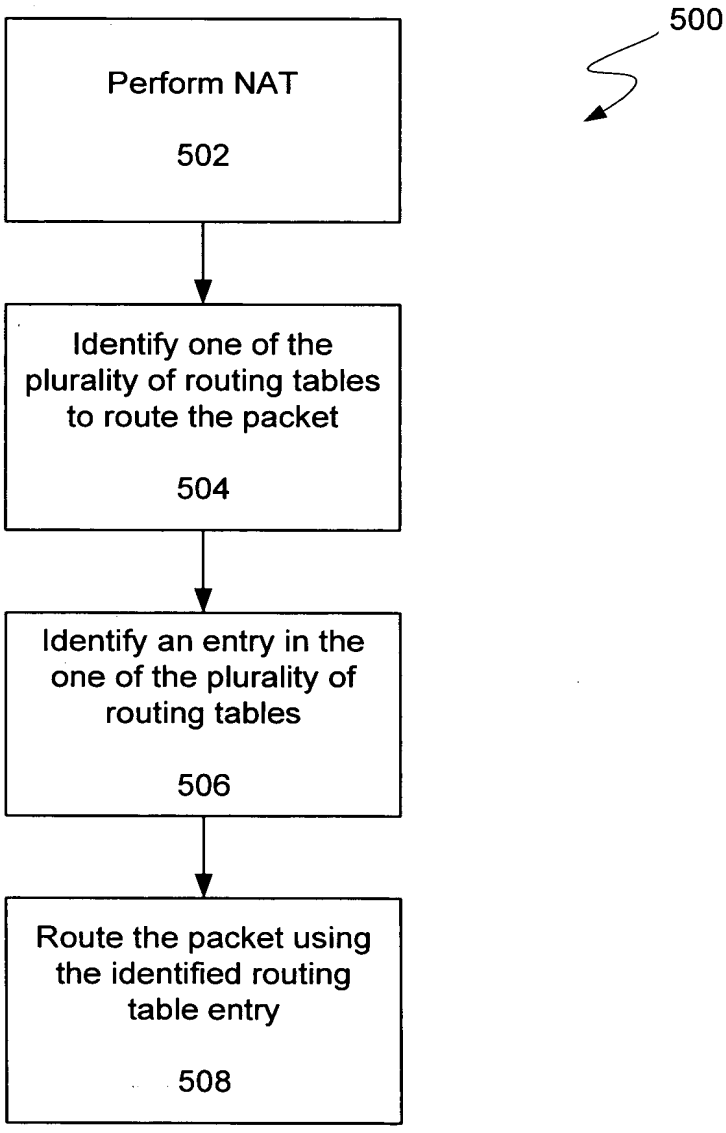

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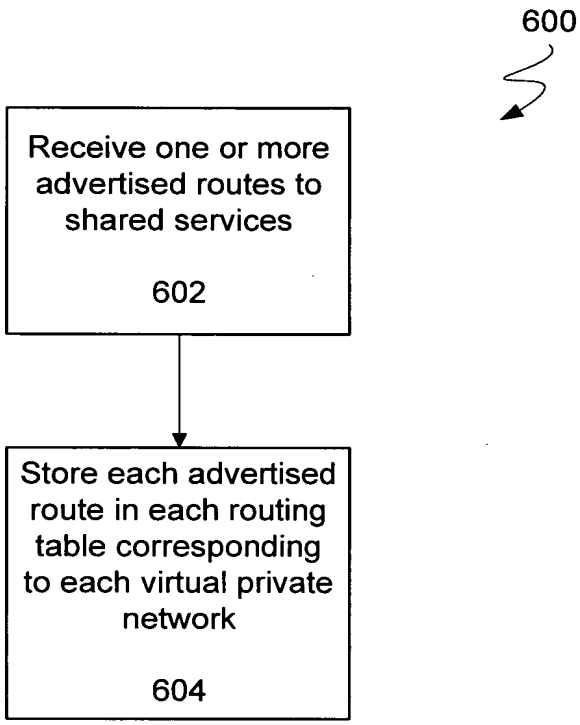
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Receive one or more advertised routes to shared services
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Store each advertised route in each routing table corresponding to each virtual private network
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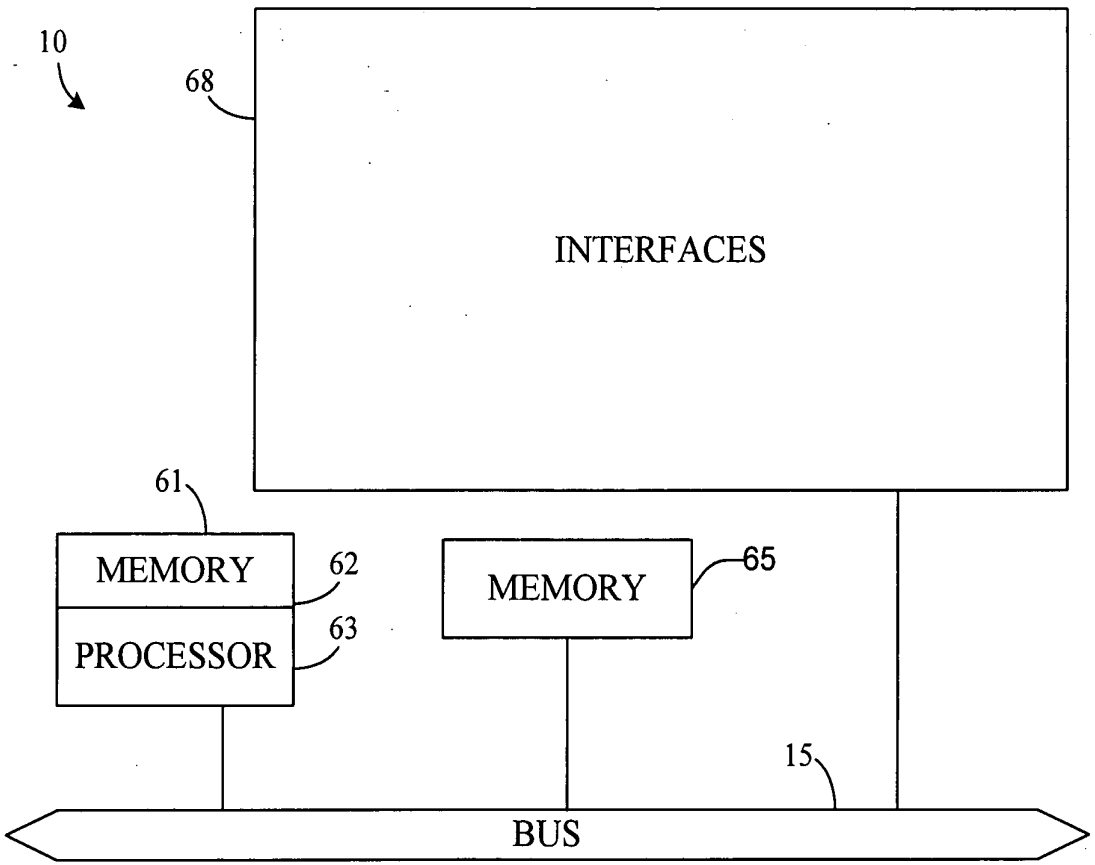

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